

## LASCELLES' BODY CREMATED

END OF ROGUE'S LORD BERRILL, FORGER AND BIGAMIST.

His Remains Had Been on Exhibition for Eight Years in an Undertaker's Establishment in Asheville, Dressed in Evening Clothes and High Hat.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—They pulled the body of Sidney Lascelles, alias Charles J. Berrill, alias Lord Berrill, into a crematory here to-day, thus ending the career of the body of the bogus lord who had been on exhibition in Asheville, N. C., dressed in evening clothes and high hat, with walking stick at his side, and had been exhibited as an example of Asheville's highest art in the embalming line. The body of the fake nobleman and notorious bigamist and forger had come to be one of the curiosities of which the North Carolina city boasted. And in the eight years that the undertaker had been holding the body waiting for relatives to appear and pay the embalming bill thousands had viewed it.

A few days ago a woman who said she was Mrs. J. T. Summerfield of Passaic, N. J., a sister-in-law of Lascelles' first wife, appeared in Asheville, identified the body, settled with the undertaker and ordered the remains shipped to Dr. Jefferson Crichton of this city. The reason given by Mrs. Summerfield for taking the body at that late date was that she was preparing to live in Asheville and could not bear the thought of having her brother-in-law as an exhibit in the undertaking shop.

The body arrived in Washington yesterday morning, but instead of being delivered to Dr. Crichton it was taken to the undertaking establishment of William J. Lee of 322 Pennsylvania avenue. Dr. Crichton promptly denied that he knew anything about the shipment of the eight-year-old mummy or the woman who had identified it in Asheville. He appeared to be highly indignant and said he was inclined to believe that some friend of his had played a practical joke on him.

"I am at a loss to know why the body has come to me," said he. "I know absolutely nothing about the matter."

"But can't you explain why the body was directed to you?" Dr. Crichton was asked.

"I don't know a thing about it," he replied. "Somebody may be trying to play a joke on me."

The Southern Express Company's employees say somebody called them up and ordered them to deliver the body to William J. Lee. Yesterday morning a woman who said she was Mrs. Watson called the undertaking establishment on the telephone and asked if a body could be cremated there right away. She was told that it couldn't be done until to-day, and later she called at the undertaking establishment with a man and arranged for the cremation.

All inquiries as to the undertaking establishment were met with the statement that Mr. Lee didn't know who had given him the commission to cremate the body and didn't know what disposition was to be made of the ashes. All he knew was that a permit had been obtained from Coroner Nevitt, the money had been paid and everything was perfectly regular. The coroner said that the application for the permit was made by the undertaker and that the death certificate that accompanied the application was in correct form. That he declared, was all he was interested in knowing.

The body was reduced to ashes this morning. It is believed that the woman who made the arrangements in Washington is one of the bogus lord's "wives." The body of Lascelles was remarkably well preserved. Many persons visited the undertaking establishment here to-day and asked permission to look at it. Some of these were the "widows" who were the operations of the Britisher in the South twenty years or so ago. All callers at the undertaking establishment were told that they had received strict orders not to show the body.

Lascelles in his palmy days sometimes posed under the name also of Lord Douglas. His career of deception began in the American, shifted that to England and finally closed in a cheap lodging house in Asheville, where he died of tuberculosis. Lascelles was lionized in London after having secured an introduction to the American Ambassador under the name of herford. At Rome and at other cities in the North, Lascelles was up to his eyes in the best of times. He married several young women in the South, only to desert them in a few weeks. He was convicted in Rome, Italy, of promoting fraudulent schemes and sentenced to six years in a hard labor. He served his term and soon after gaining his freedom was taken ill and died. The man here who knew of the bogus lord's record in the South said that at the time of his death the undertakers of Asheville were all anxious to embalm the body.

## CHURCH AGAINST FIGHT.

Appeal offered for Presentation to Gov. Gillette and President Taft.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 21.—Declaring that the proposed Jeffries-Johnson fight for the championship of the world of Independence Day would be a disgrace to civilization, commissioners in attendance at the assembly of the Presbyterian Church of America to-day presented for election an appeal calling upon Gov. Gillette of California to prevent the fight. It was referred to the special committee on appeals and overtures, the ruling body of the convention. It is expected that the appeal will be duplicated to President Taft, calling for Federal action to stop the fight. Although the appeal is backed by the full strength of the California delegation, it was introduced by the Rev. J. H. Jones of Seattle. It says:

"We, the World, the Church, the Nation, the State, the Pacific Coast and the United States, from the disgrace the proposed fight between Jeffries and Johnson will cast upon you and the State and the Nation as well as the country of California, appeal to you to prevent the fight."

## JUDGE CHAS. F. BROWN INJURED

His Horse Struck on a Stone and Fell, the Judge Striking on His Head.

NEW YORK, May 21.—While Charles F. Brown, former Judge of the Court of Sessions, was riding to-day his horse struck on a rolling stone on the highway and fell, and the judge and rider fell. The judge struck on his head, rendering him unconscious, and the horse falling on him. He was taken to his home in Palmyra, N. Y., and is now lying in bed. It is feared that no bones were broken. He will be out again in a few days. Six years ago his horse was fractured in a similar accident.

## CLARK REPLIES TO PAYNE.

Characteristic Speech by the Minority Leader in the House.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Ever since Sen. Payne of New York defended the Payne-Aldrich tariff law as "the best ever written" Representative Champ Clark of Missouri has been preparing a speech in reply. He delivered it in the House to-day. He spoke for more than two hours and then had a good deal left over of his fifteen or twenty thousand word effort to put in the record under the leave to print privilege.

Mr. Clark's speech was characteristic and was heard by the House with great attention. It differs not a great deal from recent utterances he has delivered in recent years. Mr. Clark said the other day that he and Mr. Payne had to work harder than any other two members of the House in preparing their tariff speeches, so they had delivered so many it was difficult for them to find anything new to say.

Mr. Clark started out by paying his respects to that paragraph in the sundry civil bill appropriating \$500,000 for the use of the President. Mr. Clark called this provision "A motion to postpone the verdict of the people on the Payne-Aldrich-Smoot tariff bill; another effort to hoodwink the voters of the land."

Mr. Clark expressed himself very pessimistically concerning the dwindling power of Congress.

"In these latter days," he said, "through encroachments of the executive branch, the Congress has fallen from the high estate of a coordinate branch of the Government to the despicable position of an animated cash register for the executive branch. It matters not whether the Executive operates with a big stick or with a smile that won't come off the power of Congress constantly dwindles, while that of the Executive mounts to the imperial even autocratic proportions."

Commenting upon the fact that the \$250,000 appropriation to "enable the President to secure information," Mr. Clark sarcastically remarked that if any man in the country needed information on the country it was Mr. Taft. He said that the President's power had been demonstrated by the President's comment that the present tariff bill was the best ever placed on the statute books. He wound up by denouncing this appropriation as ridiculous and as an absolutely unnecessary waste of public money.

In making his recent speech in defense of his bill Mr. Payne acted as if he had a discernible duty to perform, according to Mr. Clark.

"He appeared to be in about as cheerful a frame of mind," said the minority leader, "as a lawyer appointed by the court to defend without a word of protest."

It was to him a convulsive job, but it had to be done through with in some way. Mr. Payne was evidently in a very poor state of mind. After denouncing every body who objected to his bill as a liar and a slanderer he did the very sensible thing of reading several extracts from my speeches and writings. He would add considerably to the general information if he would read them all."

Mr. Clark looks forward to the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November for the election of his successor.

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## GERMAN PAPERS AND OURS

MAYOR GAYNOR HAS SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT BOTH.

Tells the German Press Club That While Newspapers of Their Home Country May Criticize the Kaiser They Treat Him Better Than We Do Our Officials.

When Mayor Gaynor rose in the Hotel Astor last night to speak to about 300 German newspaper men, their families and guests at the dinner which was a part of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the German Press Club the orchestra greeted him from the balcony with "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town To-night." The Mayor's opening remarks seemed to bear out the expectations in everybody's mind.

"As your menu card doesn't contain a list of toasts," began Mr. Gaynor, who was the only speaker at the dinner who spoke in English, "such as we are used to seeing I suppose we speakers are quite free to say anything we see fit."

The Mayor told of his surprise when he learned of the number of German publications in New York, and before he began to discuss newspapers he devoted much of his address to extolling the citizenship of the Germans in America, their honesty in politics and their small proportion of criminals as compared to other nationalities.

The Mayor was introduced by Toastmaster Norbert Cantor of the State Zeitung and president of the German Press Club in German, and his name was greeted with deep throated "Hochs" and "Prosts!" Besides the Mayor there were seated at the guest table with President Cantor Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador; Dr. Paul Ritter, the Swiss Minister; Consul-General Frankenstein of the National German Press Clubs; John Weimann and Dr. Emmanuel Baruch of the Morgen Journal, all of whom made speeches.

Among the guests were also Baron Hans von Bleichroeder, who is a visitor here and whose father is the Kaiser's banker; George Ehret, Count Guido von Auerperg, Justice Amund, Major von Livonius, the former military attaché at Washington; Joseph Ridder, Robert Blass, Patrick Francis Murphy, Lawyer Morris Cork, James Speyer and Theodore Sutor.

There were toasts in German to President Taft and the Mayor and the Germans arose and sang "The Star Spangled Banner" in English.

"Oh, dear me!" said Mr. Gaynor, when he finally arose to speak. "I don't know how many German weeklies and monthly magazines you have here in New York. All your little coterie have their favorite papers. You have coteries and cliques, just as you have them in Germany, because you too have your differences of opinion; but you have but very few differences, not over petty little things."

"I suppose I ought to say something about these newspaper writers," [laughter.] "They're at my mercy, but I'll tell you how they are. I see some very blue pencils and a pair of shears. But you ought to have added a glue pot. [Laughter.] These pencils are the things they stick into you and if they don't take off your head then they stick you all over with the glue pot. [Laughter.]"

"But it doesn't matter, because the newspapers can neither make you nor break you. You are just what you are after they are through with you as far as the newspapers are concerned. You were when they started in on you. It doesn't matter. I wish I knew how to say that in German."

"Böhadt nicht!" yelled the room and laughter. The Mayor didn't try the German, however, but took up the matter of the German press of New York and praised the German newspaper men present because he said, "the German press is a comparatively new thing. It is of straining with regard to certain things, the exaggeration, of which the Mayor thinks certain of the New York papers are guilty."

"In Germany," he understood, "said the Mayor, 'your papers criticize even the Kaiser, and as the German Ambassador told me here to-night, German papers have even suggested that the Kaiser take his time to music and yachting and all those other things he can do—I forget what they are now—instead of meddling with state matters, but I'm sure your German papers told him that more often than our American papers say things about us, and probably even caused the Emperor to have a laugh, which is more than can be said about the way some of the American papers say things about us.'"

There were English burials for the Mayor at the end of his talk and the singing of "Hoch soll er leben" three times through.

## COWIE TO SUCCEED ROGERS.

Secretary Meyer Decides to Appoint Him Paymaster-General of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Secretary of the Navy Meyer has practically decided to appoint Pay Director Thomas J. Cowie, pay officer and general storekeeper at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, to be Paymaster-General of the Navy, succeeding Eustace B. Rogers, who will resign shortly. Mr. Cowie is several conferences with Mr. Meyer at the Navy Department to-day. While no official announcement could be obtained it is understood that Mr. Cowie was offered and accepted the appointment. The formal announcement of the appointment will be made next week.

Mr. Cowie has been on duty at Annapolis since January 31, 1905. He is a native of Iowa and has been in the service since June 18, 1890. He was instrumental in obtaining the passage of the increase of pay bill several years ago. He will not retire until 1919, which will enable him to serve two terms as chief of the bureau of supplies and accounts.

Paymaster-General Rogers forwarded to Secretary Meyer to-day his application for retirement as a Rear Admiral, which will be approved. Mr. Meyer will take no action, however, on the application until after the enactment of the naval appropriation bill now pending in Congress, which contains a provision practically increasing the pay of bureau chiefs of the navy.

## FORGERY, WASHINGTON'S HEIRS.

Bill to Be Reported to Congress Appropriating \$500,000 for Them.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The heirs of Gen. George Washington, none of whom is wealthy and some of whom are very poor, will receive \$500,000 in good Government gold if a bill to be reported to the Private Land Claims Committee of the House next week becomes a law. It appears that Washington, who was entitled under the law of Virginia to 25,000 acres of land in recompense for his military services, wouldn't accept any of it, but instead bought warrants for 3,000 acres of land in Ohio. This tract was located in the northwestern reserve in what was then called the "Virginia military lands."

In the hearings held by the Private Land Claims Committee of the bill it was claimed by the heirs that the tract was located in the northwestern reserve in what was then called the "Virginia military lands."

The claim of the heirs has been pending before Congress for years.

## SPANISH AMERICAN VETERANS.

The Army and the Navy Encourage Them at Their Annual Dinner.

The New York Commandery of the Naval and Military Order of the Spanish-American War gave a dinner last night at the Hotel Astor, and had as guests a number of the officers and members of the National Commandery. Rear Admiral Purnell F. Harrington, yesterday elected commandant of the local organization, acted as toastmaster for the eighty men present.

Some of those that spoke were Commodore Jacob W. Miller, Lieut.-Col. Nathaniel B. Thurston, Major J. Langdon Ward, Major Edward J. Gihon and Lieut.-Col. Curtis Guild.

Brig.-Gen. Walter Howe, commander of the Department of the East, responded to the toast "Patriotism." "What can I say about patriotism," said he, "when I see it coming from every pore here to-night? I believe you are all for peace but you are a great deal more for war. I believe in arbitration, but it is a great deal better when backed up by a big, strong navy. So I believe in a bigger navy, and I would like to see a lot of ships like that one we launched the other day."

If we ever have a long, hard war with some nation that is well equipped for a lasting war with fine armament and many men, say Japan, for example, I imagine there are those who would not want to get into it. But we must have a greater navy for our country than for our own life. If our country needs our services we must give them to the last man to the last minute."

Rear Admiral Eugene H. C. Leuten spoke on "The Navy." "The navy," he said, "is all right, always was all right and always will be all right. Now that I have told you all about the navy I will tell you"—and he went on to relate some anecdotes of his experiences in the Philippines.

## MAN RAN; DETECTIVE SHOT HIM.

Jumped From Car Into Street Fight and Found No Time for Questions.

Seeing a woman run along Seventh avenue shouting for help Frank A. Campbell, a detective, jumped off a northbound car at Twenty-third street last night to go to her aid. He stumbled over a man lying on the sidewalk, but kept on after Mary Murphy of 155 West Eighteenth street, the woman who had called for help. She was pursuing a man and the detective caught him.

The man reached for his revolver, but the detective drew a second sooner. The man broke away and Campbell shot him through one side of the neck.

A moment later the detective found himself surrounded by men who attacked him with the precision of a gang. At that moment a crowd of twenty-third street crowded up at the corner. George E. Muller, a policeman of Traffic Squad C, changed to be on it. He joined forces with Campbell and the crowd resolved itself into hurried passersby.

The man lying on the sidewalk was told to be James Kearney of 212 West Twenty-third street. He was looked up for information. The man shot by the detective was George Duchro, a driver of 101 West Houston street. He went to the New York House to get a drug dose at 216 Seventh avenue was found Luke Moore of 156 West Twenty-second street, shot through the leg. The only hypothesis offered was that Campbell had killed a man who was a prisoner. As far as the police could learn the trouble started with a fight between two men, one of whom, Duchro, was pursued by Mary Murphy, who was a woman who had called for help. She was pursuing a man and the detective caught him.

## COST OF BALLINGER INQUIRY.

It Will Be Little More Than Half of What Congress Appropriated.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The total expenditures on account of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation will not amount to \$100,000, according to an authoritative statement made to-day. Most of the money was expended for the employment of stenographers and in the payment of the per diem and mileage of witnesses. Congress authorized an expenditure of not to exceed \$250,000. Senator Nelson, chairman of the committee, expressed gratification to-day that he had been able to carry on such an undertaking at an expense of scarcely more than one-half what Congress appropriated.

The Senator economized in the matter of clerk hire by using the services of the committee of the Committee on Public Lands, of which he is chairman. The only salaried officer connected with the investigation was the secretary, Paul Slemmon, Jr. He is employed because he is a lawyer of recognized ability, and the committee thought it necessary to have as clerk of the committee a man of experience in legal matters to insure an intelligent compilation of the record.

## More Pay for R. &amp; N. Telegraphers.

Boston, May 21.—Through an agreement reached to-day between General Superintendent Lee of the Boston and Maine Railroad and the adjusting committee of the Telegraphers Union, 1,000 telegraphers, men and women, will receive an increase in wages averaging 7 per cent. Hereafter operators who received \$1.55 a day will get \$2.25, and those receiving \$1.30 will get \$2.05. All persons drawing \$2 are advanced to \$2.15.

Jury Praised, but Couldn't Agree. STARKVILLE, Miss., May 21.—When the jury that has been trying Greeley Ray, Marshal of Sturgis for the murder of his kinsman, George Ray, left the court room this afternoon they got down on their knees and prayed that they might reach a fair verdict.

To-night the jury is still undecided and the Judge ordered them locked up until Monday.

## Clara Morris Slightly Better.

YORKERS, May 21.—There was a slight improvement in the condition of Mrs. F. C. Harriott (Clara Morris) to-day.

## LAWN AND WATER FESTIVAL.

DOWNPOUR FALLS ON FETE FOR HOSPITAL BENEFIT.

Richmond Borough Dwellers Make the Best of a Damp Afternoon and Don't Charge It to the Comet-Living Bridge Whist Game Played Indoors.

A press agent sat in a booth beneath the grand stand at the Richmond county fair grounds, Dongan Hills, Staten Island. A reporter who wished to learn about the fête champêtre which has been in progress there for the last three days for the benefit of the S. R. Smith Infirmary discovered him yesterday afternoon.

"Yes," said the young man, "all reporters are supposed to come here for information, but you're the first one. Now you'll find all you want to know about this most novel and diverting form of entertainment ever devised for the public's pleasure, and incidentally to assist a worthy philanthropy, in an article I have written for this local paper." And he graciously handed a copy to the reporter, directing him to visit the "pike," the grand stand and the buildings.

The "pike" was "novel and diverting." One could hardly make headway. Staten Island swains, dressed as waitresses and from Mrs. Lewis Nixon's tearoom, would surround you and insist that you drink some tea. Little Indians bumped into you and begged that you come and grab a prize from their campfire. Mrs. William G. Wilcox, wife of the president of the board of trustees of the infirmary, had built herself a little windmill, from which she and others cried that you buy their wares. Candy girls and flower girls were almost impertinent.

One young woman who had dressed herself in a frock made from "the family newspaper of Staten Island" snatched another asking you to buy one. A man who spied his picture on the newspaper dress approached her and gently poking the half tone out that covered a section of her side exclaimed, "Why, that's me!"

In a tent was Ella Wheeler Wilcox, who for a small sum told fortunes. One little girl came out of the tent and protested that the seer had said she was married. "The ideal," she panted, "I'm a young Staten Island girl." One who had slipped off her engagement ring was convulsed when she learned in the tent that she was "frivolous and sloppy and would never land a man."

In the buildings were tables and tables. But back to the grandstand hurrying along the "pike" the reporter bumped into Dr. and Mrs. Alvah B. Doty, Borough President Cronwell and others, who by the carriage and bearing appeared to be well known aristocrats. The little popcorn boy you could scare away with a frown.

There you watched the Richmond County Hunt club folk doing a sort of stunts on their horses. Suddenly the band stopped playing ragtime music and across the lawn tripped a willowy wispy draping with Ruth St. Denis within. And right there the reporter skipped about, much to the delight of all.

Between enclosures horses wedged into a pair of wheels raced around the track with black fence rails and sideboard whicker men driving them. Then it began to sprinkle and shortly to rain. The horses disappeared and the track became slimy. A bridge which gave way to the rain and was played with Staten Islanders dressed as cards was postponed. The human cards clustered to the centre of the stand, as did the spectators. A youth in tights, dressed as the part of Don Quixote, the swarman at Croton, were arrested. After the inquest Coroner Squire discharged Ritter and Bellow and held Flannagan on a charge of manslaughter.

At 4:30 o'clock the track was a small river and the judges were drowned. The fence and placed across the track so that the judges could reach the stand, but a large judge led and the board parted in its midst.

Then the rain began to abate and folks were carried from the stand to the entrance building in a barouche. The living bridge whist game was played there. When the spectators started home they found the part of Dongan Hills, which overlook the grounds, had taken a slide and covered the trolley tracks so that no cars could run.

Fortunately there is a steam railroad station near by. This was besieged and finally a three-car train, already filled, arrived. As the fairgoers insisted upon getting aboard the conductors set to and systematically packed each car.

Despite the downpour a considerable sum was added to the amounts realized on the preceding days.

## Engineer Flannagan Exonerated.

ORRINGTON, May 21.—Eugene Flannagan, the engineer of the freight train which ran into an express on the New York Central road at Croton New Year's eve, causing the death of Spencer Trask, the banker, has been exonerated from responsibility by the Grand Jury at White Plains. Flannagan, Bert Ritter, the rear brakeman on the express, who failed to go back, and John T. Beller, the swarman at Croton, were arrested. After the inquest Coroner Squire discharged Ritter and Bellow and held Flannagan on a charge of manslaughter.

## The President Defeated at Golf.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The President was out on the golf links again this afternoon. He was matched against Gen. Clarence Edwards and Capt. Butt, playing against their best ball, and was defeated 5 up. The President's score for the eighteen holes was 94. C. P. Taft, the President's brother, joined him on the links and watched his game. C. P. Taft is a guest at the White House to-night.

## Papermaker's Strike Settled.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 21.—Announcement was made here to-night that the strike of the papermakers in the International Paper Mills has been settled. Employees who desire and for whom places can be found will be taken back. Beginning August 1 an increase in wages of from 5 to 10 per cent. will take effect.

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## JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Henry B. Hermann, president of the United  
Exchange National Bank, accompanied by Mrs.  
Hermann, is sailing for Europe on the Kron  
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